

University of Virginia Plans Hard Football Schedule

CHARLOTTESVILLE MAN CHALLENGES

Wants Wrestling Match With Welterweight for "Unknown" Grappling Phenom.

Sports Editor, The Times-Dispatch: Sir—As I have not been in these parts very long, I do not know the names of your welterweight wrestlers. However, I will leave that matter to you. I am asked by Northern parties to challenge any 150-pound wrestler for a match after January 1, to be held in Richmond. If you think it advisable, I heard that there had been some trouble during the matches, and that the sport had gotten a black eye in Richmond. We will bill our man as an unknown, and will put up a purse of any amount agreeable to your man. Asking you to leave my name out of the paper, and wishing you every success, I remain, Yours truly, Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 12.

RECORD SMASHED BY BIKE RIDERS

New York, December 12.—Several exciting accidents marked the continuance of the bicycle races to-night, but neither accident nor sprint eliminated any of the riders or changed their relative positions. The score at the end of the ninety-sixth hour at midnight was 1,874 miles and seven laps for twelve of the fourteen teams, with the Suter brothers and the Carman-Loffes teams each two laps behind the leaders. The record was three miles and six laps ahead of the best previous performance by Walthour and Collins in 1909. Oscar Egg, of the French team, crashed into Bobby Walthour's wheel on one of the turns shortly before 10 o'clock. Both were thrown. While Egg regained his feet and wheel, Walthour was picked up unconscious, but it was found he was not seriously injured, and he later reappeared on the track. Between 9 and 11 o'clock there were several sprints. In the most sensational one at 10:25, the Granda-Pye combination seemed to have practically gained a lap, but the referee did not allow it, on the ground that the riders had not quite overlapped the leaders when the sprint ended by a puncture of Fogler's tire.

JACK GRIM IS AGAIN WITHOUT FRANCHISE

Carolina Association Turns Down Lynchburg's Advances, Sticking to State Circuit—J. H. Wearn Is Re-Elected President.

Charlotte, N. C., December 12.—Asheville, Raleigh, Durham, Greensboro, Winston-Salem and Charlotte form the North Carolina Association of professional baseball clubs, which was organized here this afternoon. It was decided by the meeting that the only logical league under present conditions was one that did not take any but North Carolina cities. Jack Grim, representing Lynchburg, asked that his club be incorporated, and Mr. Ellis presented the cause of Greenville, of the Carolina League, seeking reorganization, but the Tar Heel towns were tired of this arrangement. Purman South of Anderson, did not oppose the formation of the new league. Spartanburg was not represented. Greenville's representative hesitated to relinquish her franchise, but the fact that Spartanburg was out and Anderson did not know whether she wanted to be in caused her to withdraw.

SUTTON CAMPING ON HOPPE'S TRAIL

Challenges 18.2 Billiard Champion—Hueston After Pocket Billiard Title-Holder.

George Sutton has challenged William Hoppe for the 18.2 baillie billiard championship, which Hoppe won at the recent tournament here. Sutton's challenge and Hoppe's were relayed yesterday and Hoppe lost no time in announcing his acceptance. The match will be played in New York early in February. The time and place of the De Oro-Maturo pool championship contest have been agreed on. This battle will take place at Doyle's room on January 6, 7 and 8, and Tom Hueston has challenged the winner. Hueston and the winner will meet on or before March 1.

HOLDOUT RIXEY IS LAST REPORT

Former University Star Will Demand Salary of \$5,000 for Next Season.

Philadelphia, December 12.—Eppa Rixey, former University of Virginia twirler, who made good with the Phillies last season, may be among the hold-outs before long. From Charlotte comes the news that he declares he will not report next spring unless the club makes good a promise made to him when he joined the team. He says he was promised a 1913 contract calling for \$5,000 if he made good in his first season. Rixey in the 1912 season pitched ten winning games, lost ten and did the relief act in three.

VIRGINIA PLANS STRONG SCHEDULE FOR NEXT SEASON

Football Team to Meet Many New Teams—Men May Report Early.

October 11—Princeton, at Washington. October 18—Georgia, at Atlanta. November 1—Vanderbilt, at Charlottesville. November 15—Georgetown, at Washington. November 25—North Carolina, at Richmond.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlottesville, Va., December 12.—While the above named games have not been officially determined upon, it is more than likely that they will be included in Virginia's football schedule for 1913. Nothing positive has yet been given out by the management, but it is rumored around the football office that the Virginia team will meet Princeton, in Washington, has been received favorably and that the Tiger management has suggested October 11 as the date—the day of the Georgetown-Navy contest at Annapolis.

While October 11 is a little early in the season for Virginia to even hope to make a good showing against the strong Princeton eleven, yet it is realized that it is probably the best bet that can be done. If an agreement is reached on the date mentioned it is more than likely that the Virginia squad will be called together before the opening of college. This course would be decided upon in any event, however, as the players were very early rounding into form the past season and did not strike their stride until the first of November, with the season's schedule half over. If "Pop" Lannigan has his way the members of the squad will be called together centrally by September 1, at his summer home in the coast of Maine. There, under the immediate supervision of the veteran trainer, the men will be gradually rounded into form. All of the letter men of this year save Captain Todd and Full Back Smith will return to college next fall, and it is believed that nearly all of them could make it. This would be a fine team for the preliminary preparation needed for the strenuous schedule that is being mapped out for the team by the advisory board of the General Athletic Association and Manager McMorris.

It will be recalled that it was the intention of Head Coach Elliott to assemble his men at one of the mountain resorts in Virginia—Bawley Springs—in the latter part of the past summer. One or two of the players actually reported, but the others were slow in responding, and the plan fell through at the last moment. Two or three weeks spent in the delightful climate on the Maine coast should make the men in fair physical condition, and when the good sounds on Lambeth Field at the opening of the season the men should be in fit shape to profit by the instruction of the coaches and ready to jump into the earlier contests on the schedule, which next fall promise to be more strenuous than the preliminary contests in years past.

Swartmore, Williams and Trinity, of Connecticut, are yet to be heard from, and should two of them accept Virginia will have her work cut out for her in October. Against teams of such calibre the eleven should be going at a pretty lively clip by the first of that month. Then, too, as Georgia will probably be taken on the long trip of the team to Atlanta will practically spoil ten days of practice. Virginia wants to profit by her experiences of the past season, and every possible effort will be made to get the players in shape for the strong schedule now in preparation.

STOPS COCKING MAIN IN MONROE

Governor of Louisiana Takes Positive Stand Against Proposed Chicken Fights.

New Orleans, La., December 12.—Governor C. E. Hall has wired Sheriff J. P. Parker at Monroe, La., to stop the cocking main scheduled to open in that city. Five hundred birds have been gathered there from all points of the country, coming from as far as California. Early to-day the promoters took out a rule nisi preliminary to secure a permanent injunction to restrain Sheriff Parker from interfering. At 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, however, Sheriff Parker announced that he would enforce the Governor's order and would put an army of deputies at the mains if necessary to enforce the law. As the pits are just outside the city of Monroe the promoters declare there is no law that covers the case, and will contest their rights in the courts. Meanwhile there are several hundred sports who are gobs of money gathered at Monroe, who are grossly disappointed over the Governor's order.

CHANCE IS FREE TO LEAD KILTIES

McGraw Last of Managers to Waive on Peerless Ex-Cub Manager.

New York, December 12.—There is nothing now to prevent Frank Chance, former manager of the Chicago Nationals, from signing a contract to manage the New York Americans, according to an announcement this afternoon that a league official has received from Manager John J. McGraw, of the New York Nationals, waiving claim on his long-time rival in league management. The New York club was the last of the National League clubs to waive. McGraw's willingness to follow the lead of the other clubs in his league had not been questioned, as he and Chance are close friends personally, and the New Yorker has been known to favor Chance for the leadership of the Highlanders.

In the Wake of the Game

By GUS MALBERT

There is nothing unique in the story coming from Charlottesville that the candidates for the football team are to report to Pop Lannigan at his Maine home before the school term begins. Virginia is probably the last of the older universities to realize the true educational value of athletics, and from now on will take greater advantage of the opportunities offered. No shame attaches to the desire on the part of the more prominent educational institutions to secure more publicity. If a school is good, has good facilities, a superior faculty, and other advantages, these advantages should be spread as broadly to as many people as possible. Aside from the actual benefits obtained by the men participating in athletics at the several colleges in the country, nearly every faculty has come to realize that athletics form a very effective means of advertising.

"Pop" Lannigan is a stickler for condition. He holds that if an athlete is physically fit half the battle is won. Therefore he wants the men in his charge before the football season gets hold of them. If this plan should go through and not prove a failure, such as the scheme suggested by Speed Elliott for this past season, Virginia should get the jump on her rivals and beat them to it. The material on hand will be better than this year, as ten of the letter men will be back in college. There will be Captain Carter, Jeff, Woolfolk, Madden, Pinnas, Redus, Mott, coach, Landes and Harris. Todd's absence will be felt, and Smith will also prove a loss. But the backfield will take care of itself. Wood, at center, will leave the most serious hole to fill. But whoever the coach may be, he will find material on hand to work with. Incidentally, that boy Mayer is going to prove one of the best backs in the South if he plays anywhere near to the form he showed this past season. By all means get the men together early, if possible.

If the men can be conditioned early they will strike their true stride early and not have to wait until the season is half over, as was the case this year. A hard schedule is to face the men who wear the Orange and Blue in 1913. Their Princeton game, coming as early as it does in the season, will not prove a positive test of the eleven's strength, because neither team will have reached top form. But the other contests with Swarthmore, Trinity and Georgia will be vastly interesting. Virginia has nothing to be ashamed of during the past season. There is every indication that she will make every effort to improve over that record. Here's more power to her.

No one who watched the games as played under the present interpretation of the football rules could possibly believe that the rules committee is not a necessary ideal as it could be made. More tinkering or tampering is apt to defeat the purposes attempted. And the coaches will appreciate a little rest from having each year to study a new code hardly before they have completed a fairly intelligible study of a previous set of rules.

It may be that we are out of order, but we insist that the best possible move for the colleges in Virginia is to become associated at once with the National Collegiate Athletic Association. It meets in New York City two days after Christmas, and the price of admission for one year is just \$25. The cost is negligible, but if it were ten times the amount it would be worth it for the education along lines of amateur athletic contests between the colleges. No need for wrangles then. Once a member the college must live up to the laws. Failure to continue membership is an admission that the purely amateur in sports does not appeal to that particular institution.

Owner Bradley is still topping it with the big league and Steve Griffin is liberating in Toledo, Ohio. All of which furnishes mighty little grist for the winter mill. About the only news coming this way is the turnaround of Jack Grim, which is no longer news, since it has developed into a habit. Work at the new yard hasn't quite begun in earnest, but will shortly.

It's all settled now. Joe Tinker and Mack will wear a Highlander uniform. Both the Reds and the Kilties have benefited. If Redland will for once let a manager do his work without interference, the game will be better.

DAVIDSON GIVES LETTERS TO MEN

Davidson, N. C., December 12.—The Davidson football season ended with the Thanksgiving game with Wake Forest in Charlotte, and the letters were awarded Monday morning by Coach Davidson. The following men received the "D" for meritorious athletic services on the gridiron: D. A. McQueen, V. Cash, J. R. Phipps, R. L. Peters, S. M. Todd, H. D. Yates, E. H. Graham (captain), and P. W. Dullow (manager). Those receiving the "D" were: Selley, Van Derender, White, Thompson, Campbell, Howell, G. S. McWhirter, Anderson, Cunningham, Witherington, Brownlee, Fuller, Holman, Morrow and O'Connell.

Bowling

Remington Typewriter team and the Alice relayed their regular games last night, the Alice winning two out of three, 12-10, 10-10, 10-10.

Team	1	2	3	Total
Wade	120	120	120	360
Schubert	100	100	100	300
KIPP	120	120	120	360
Albert	100	100	100	300
McCart	120	120	120	360
Totals	560	560	560	1680

Team	1	2	3	Total
Spillane	140	140	140	420
WILLIAMS	120	120	120	360
Sutterlin	100	100	100	300
Bel	120	120	120	360
Totals	480	480	480	1440

Sparring of the Teams

Team	Won	Lost	Pt.
Alice	2	1	40
Remington	1	2	20
Upcoming Lathrop	1	1	20
Remington	1	1	20
Commercial League	1	1	20
Richmond Press	1	1	20

PICK CHOSEN TO LEAD TECHS TEAM

Tackle Elected to Captaincy Bocock Will Coach Eleven for Another Year.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Blacksburg, Va., December 12.—Lewis A. Pick, of Rustburg, Va., right tackle on the varsity for a part of the season just ended, has been elected captain of the football team of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute for 1913, and the athletic council has awarded V. P. I. to sixteen men for consistent work in the 1912 team. Those receiving honor, the highest that is given, are Magill, MacKann, Moore, Evans, P. Whitehead, Scholtz, Hughes, Hodges, Legge, Rogers, Parrish, Vawter, L. Selvey, Burruss. Sumners were awarded to thirteen men, these including the substitutes and men who played well in the practice games. Out of nine games played this year V. P. I. won five and lost four, the less successful season probably in year and while there is no disposition of the part of any to make excuses, there are several reasons for the apparent failure. The loss of good men in the middle of the season, the failure to return to college in September of some of the best players, this necessitating the building up of an entire new backfield, and the light weight of the eleven at all times. Coach Bocock will have another year of coaching at V. P. I. under his present contract, and he will find better material. Bert Hodgson and Burruss, captain of the team this fall, have played their four years, but some of the best men will return for another year, and there are many promising players among those who trained this year and made good on class and scrub teams.

W. R. Legge is manager of the basketball team this season, and Hugh Hodge and coach. A big schedule being arranged, with many games at the home floor, and there are a great many of last year's second team will compete with these two and K. L. of last year, for the two vacancies. Proper indoor facilities for practice are lacking, but the men will do the best possible with the limited space in the "Dutch Barn."

IRA HOGUE SIGNS BOSTON CONTRACT

Boston, Mass., December 12.—Ira Hogue, who pitched for the Anderson baseball club of the Carolina Association last season, signed to-day with the Boston National League.

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